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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIGS. 6(a) - 6(h) are schematic views showing examples of the collector used for the lithium secondary cell of the present invention.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIG. 17(a) and FIG. 17(b) are schematic views showing an example of a method of bending the metallic foil.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 12, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph:

FIGS. 18(a) - 18(c) are schematic views illustrating another example of the method of bending the metallic foil.

REMARKS

Prior to examination, Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment in which the specification has been amended to correct minor informalities.

Attached hereto as page 3 is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification by the current Amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

If the Examiner believes that contact with applicants' attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, he is herein requested to call applicants' attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the Specification:

The paragraph beginning at page 10, line 14, has been amended as follows:

FIG. 6 is a schematic view FIGS. 6(a) - 6(h) are schematic views showing examples of the collector used for the lithium secondary cell of the present invention.

The paragraph beginning at page 12, line 1, has been amended as follows:

FIG. 17 is a schematic view FIG. 17(a) and FIG. 17(b) are schematic views showing an example of a method of bending the metallic foil.

The paragraph beginning at page 12, line 3, has been amended as follows:

FIG. 18 is a schematic view FIGS. 18(a) - 18(c) are schematic views illustrating another example of the method of bending the metallic foil.